

To the honourable the General Assembly of the  
State of North Carolina.

Solomon Todd of Wake county humbly re-  
presents to your honorable body, that in the year  
1810 his wife Millberry Todd, left his bed and board,  
without just cause, and took up with a certain  
Henry Culpepper, ~~bachelor~~, whom she has had two chil-  
dren, and at this time continues with said Culpepper,  
leaving your petitioner in a distressed condition - as the  
laws of the country forbid him intermarrying with  
any other woman. — Under these circumstances  
he is free to acknowledge that he has improperly  
indulged himself with another female — That for  
this indulgence the court of the county has fined  
him ninety dollars, which added to the cost amounts  
to one hundred and seventy dollars — which as a man  
of very limited property, bears hard upon him to pay —  
Your petitioner was advised to apply to the court to  
remit the fine, believing that if all the circumstances  
were known, that the court would have complied  
with his request — but that owing to the dispersed  
situation of the members of the court who agreed  
the fine, he has been unable to assemble them  
together — and no other justice by common practice  
of one court <sup>except those who assent to it</sup> ever reverse a judgment. His